

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY MAINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 16 EDISON DRIVE AUGUSTA, MAINE 04330

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Examination Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 20, 2000 Maine EMS Conference Room, Augusta

<u>Minutes</u>

Present: J. Vaniotis, D. Gilman, , D. Kinney

Absent: J. LeBrun, E. Ekholm, D. Bahr, R. Doughty

Staff: D. White

- **1. Call To Order** The meeting was called to order at 10:45 a.m.
 - A. Introductions None
 - B. Assign Timekeeper Not assigned
 - C. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda None
- D. White noted that E. Ekholm and J. LeBrun had informed him that they would be unable to attend the meeting.
- 2. Minutes May 16, 2000, meeting minutes review for acceptance

Motion: To accept the minutes of the May 16, 2000 meeting (Kinney; Gilman - motion carries)

3. Old Business

A. Enhanced Intermediate

The Committee spent the entire meeting on this topic – specifically, on the changes to be made to the State written exam at the Intermediate level.

D. White presented a revised blueprint for the Intermediate written exam. The revision included not only the new Intermediate curriculum, but also the 1994 National Standard Curriculum for EMT-B.

The Committee then reviewed work done and forwarded to the Committee by Danel Bahr. Consensus was to work through the existing exam; identifying current questions by level and objective area; and, making any necessary changes to include deletion and/or revision/addition of EMT-B and EMT-I level questions.

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Work started with reviewing the new blueprint and combining common BLS/ALS objectives into the following (new) topic areas (included are the number of questions per topic area):

Introduction – 20 Basic and 23 Advanced Questions
Assessment – 13 Basic and 4 Advanced Questions
Pharmacology – 1 basic Question and 5 Advanced Questions
Airway – 8 Basic Questions and 8 Advanced Questions
Cardiac – 8 Basic Questions and 13 Advanced Questions
Medical – 12 Basic Questions and 12 Advanced Questions
Trauma – 14 Basic Questions and 5 Advanced Questions
Infants and Children – 4 Basic Questions

The Committee then categorized the existing EMT-I questions (listed below by question number as it appears in the current EMT-I exam) into the new category headings, to wit:

Introduction

Assessment

Pharmacology

Basic -

Advanced – 107, 108, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117

Cardiac

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Basic – 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 118
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Advanced – 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131

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Medical

Trauma

Infants and Children

The Committee then identified the next step in the process as reallocating the current questions to fit the new blueprint's specific category objectives and adding/deleting/revising questions as necessary.

It was concluded that next month's meeting would focus on the transition program evaluation as the priority realizing that the July 15, 2000 deadline for the new State Intermediate Written Exam would be unattainable due to the volume of work required and that the Transition Evaluation would constitute the most immediate need..

- 4. New Business None
- 5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on July 18, 2000, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Maine EMS in Augusta.

- A. Set Agenda Next agenda to include:
 - 1. Enhanced Intermediate Transition Program Evaluation
- **6. Adjournment -** The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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